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Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications and Energy
One South Station
Boston, MA 02110

Re: D.T.E. 03-124

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company (collectively "Company") and the Attorney General's office respectfully request that the procedural schedule in this proceeding be modified to allow both the Company and the Attorney General to file their Reply Briefs on August 20, 2004. The parties continue to engage in fruitful discussions regarding the issues raised in this proceeding, and wish to continue these discussions to determine if there is a basis for resolution by settlement.

Thank you very much for your time and attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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